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Jail & Bail event will "arrest" locals for Kids of Honor program

By Jacqueline Miller
Staff Writer

Members of the Salisbury community will be "arrested" to benefit a cause during the second annual Jail and Bail event on Wednesday, Nov. 18. This event will take place in the Wicomico Room of the Guerrieri University Center. Jailbirds currently part of the event include SU professor Paula Morris, Mayor Jim Ireton, WMDT-47 news anchor Stacy Sakai, Wicomico County Sheriff Mike Lewis and a representative from The Monkey Barrel.

All jailbirds will be "locked up" until they collect \$1,000 bail by calling friends and family. The money will be donated to Kids of Honor, a local non-profit organization founded by SU professor Paula Morris.

Kids of Honor fosters the academic success of its members with the support of local service organizations. The program incorporates proven national educational strategies to develop the skills of their members.

"It was not something I planned to do, but I was really concerned, not only with young people not graduating high school, but also from a business standpoint," Morris said. "Who will fill the jobs in the future?"

"We have really seen that this model works," Morris said. "We've become that layer of support as they go to high school."

The Kids of Honor organization earned the 2009 Richard A. Henson Award of Excellence presented by the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore.

Kids of Honor has a budget of \$180,000, a small amount compared to other non-profits. Though Morris said the organization is very efficient with their money, the hardest part of

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Students celebrate Unity Week



R.L.Pusey photo

Alecia Abrams, Kurt Strudwick, Robin Samples and Simone Brown dance at the Kickoff Cookout held Monday, Nov. 16. This was the first event the Residence Life Diversity Awareness Team hosted for Unity Week. The week continues with the Diversity Poetry Slam Tuesday, Nov. 17 from 7-11 p.m. in Fireside, and the Greek Life Step Show, on Wednesday, Nov. 18 from 7-11 p.m. in Holloway Hall Auditorium.

Students to squawk about safety on Thursday

By Gwen Ferrand
Staff Writer

The SU student body has a chance to express their concerns about safety on Thursday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. in the Holloway Hall Auditorium. The forum, titled "Sea Gulls Squawk for Safety," will be an open discussion of students' personal experiences with crime around the campus, as well as an opportunity to brainstorm ideas on how to make SU safer.

SGA Vice President of University Affairs Julia Glanz is passionate about keeping the University and its surrounding areas safe for students.

"Making the campus safe is ongoing and is the administration's number one priority," she said.

She added that the event is student-centered and there will be no faculty or press there, except for The Flyer.

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Teams play kickball to benefit Special Olympics

By Meredith Meads
Staff Writer

On Sunday, Nov. 15, teams of kickball players helped out the Lower Shore Special Olympics program at the "Kickin' Balls for a Cause" kickball tournament, which was hosted by the Exercise Science Club and the Medical Careers Society.

Half of the proceeds went to supporting the Lower Shore Special Olympics, which hosted an event recently on SU's Intramural Fields. The remaining funds will go toward the Exercise Science Club and the Medical Careers Society to host future events.

"Both clubs are very grateful for all of the support and the opportunity to hold the event and get our clubs names out there. We couldn't be happier with the way things turned out," Wilkerson said.

Sponsors for the event included businesses from the Salisbury area, many of which are local or

locally run including Olympia Fitness, Bank of Delmarva, Pat's Pizzeria, Acorn Market and Fractured Prune. Businesses donated funding and supplies for the day's events.

The kickball tournament began at 9:30 a.m. and was held in Maggs Physical Activities Center. Heavy rain throughout last week postponed the tournament until Sunday.

Despite the time change and relocation, ten teams came out to compete in the events. Although the teams did not need to be made up of a student association, Greek organizations along with club and varsity sports teams came together to compete. Each team was made up of ten or more players who registered prior to the tournament.

"Of course we're excited to compete," said "Thunderlips" team captain senior Jeff Thompson. "We are happy to support the cause and want to take a shot at the grand prize."

Registration for the tournament provided the most funds. Over \$1,000 was raised from the cost to play alone. Additional money was raised through concession sales, with refreshments donated by the Fractured Prune.

"It's exciting to see the turnout," volunteer Karlyn Dickson said. "A lot of people were really willing to help out at the event and it is for a great cause."

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Daniel McFarland photo

A participant in the "Kickin' Balls for a Cause" winds up for a kick. The event benefited the Lower Shore Special Olympics and the hosting clubs.

SU faculty member Young reads, discusses his works at Writers-on-the-Shore event



Leslie Davis photo

By Gwen Ferrand
Staff Writer

The audience sat enraptured as Ivan Young, the latest author to participate in Salisbury University's Writers-on-the-Shore Fall Literary Festival, read a poem titled "Bar Magic."

The poem detailed the mystery of observing people in a bar setting, one of the many portraits he paints in his book, "A Shape in the Waves." Inspired by everything from crime to the popular reality show "Top Chef," Young creates scenes of desperation and excitement all at once in his vivid poems.

He prefaced his poem "Three Tales of Joshua" by saying, "I like to play with myth in a contemporary setting." He credited

his wife for the inspiration.

His poems have appeared in The London Magazine, North American Review, Cream City Review, Cider Press Review, Fourteen Hills and Baltimore Review.

Young, an English department faculty member, credits T.S. Eliot as his first poetic influence.

"I liked how he incorporated interests other than school-related ones into his poems sometimes," said freshman Jessica Topp, who stood at the edges of the packed room.

Young also explored a more whimsical side in work.

"For those of you who grew up in the South, I am fascinated by tackle shops and pickled things," he said. One thing Young noted was the many women sitting outside weaving ornate baskets and

giving tourists glares at a former slave-trading market in Charleston, S.C.

"A lot of the poems have to do with my position as an outsider," Young said of his Southern influence.

Young, winner of the 2008 South Carolina Poetry Initiative's chapbook contest for "A Shape in the Waves," said he loves to find unheard voices, such as those of construction workers, and bring them to life.

"I am also fascinated by Nietzsche and his 'God is dead' statement," Young said. From this he wrote a poem entitled "We Buried God," which details a family who found God squashed like a moth and had to bury him in a shoebox.

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Award-winning writer Ivan Young shares poems with the campus community during his Writers-on-the-Shore presentation on Tuesday.

Briefly Stated

Senior Art Show

The Senior Art Show will take place Monday, Nov. 16-Friday, Dec. 4 and Thursday, Dec. 10-Friday, Dec. 18 in the University Gallery at Fulton Hall. Artwork is by students enrolled in a senior seminar. A second exhibit location in the Electronic Gallery, TETC Room 113, is open Mon. Nov. 16-Friday, Dec. 4. Artwork in that exhibit is done by graduating New Media seniors. A President's Award reception is held 6-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, in the University Gallery. University Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. Electronic Gallery hours are 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday and noon-4 p.m. Sunday. Sponsored by the Art Department and the Fulton School of Liberal Arts, exhibits are free and the public is invited.

H1N1 Vaccination Clinic

An H1N1 vaccination clinic will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 18 from 4-6 p.m. in Student Health Services, Holloway Hall Room 180. No appointment is necessary; vaccines will be administered on a first-come, first-served basis. Healthy students over age 24 should refrain from getting the vaccine until all high risk individuals are vaccinated. Priority groups are healthy individuals under age 25, pregnant women, those living with or taking care of infants less than six months of age, and those under the age of 65 with pre-existing medical conditions. A current SU student ID is required; students are not guaranteed a vaccine if supplies run out. Clinics will continue to be scheduled when more supplies are received.

Cap and Gown Pick-Up

Students participating in the Dec. 19 Commencement may pick up their cap, gown and tickets at the Bookstore Wednesday, Nov. 18 through Friday, Dec. 18. The "Grad Pickup Fair" is Wednesday-Thursday, Nov. 18-19 from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and Friday, Nov. 20 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Students, who are unable to pick up graduation items may contact Deborah Johnson at the University Bookstore at 410-543-6086; djohnson@salisbury.edu. Lost tickets will not be replaced. The deadline for pick-up is Friday, Dec. 18 at noon.

"Shoot for the Troops"

Basketball Tournament
Salisbury University students in Professor Paula Morris' marketing class show support for the people serving in the military by hosting a "Shoot for the Troops" basketball tournament 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21 in the upstairs gymnasium of Maggs. The tournament is comprised of student teams of three. Beverages for players, a 50-50 raffle and prizes for the top teams are available. The entry fee for the tournament is \$5 per player. Proceeds support the Wounded Warriors Program.

"A Christmas Carol"

SU's Bobbi Biron Theatre Program presents "A Christmas Carol," Friday-Sunday, Nov. 20-22, and Thursday-Sunday, Dec. 3-6, in the Black Box Theatre of Fulton Hall. Curtain is 8 p.m. on Thursday-Friday, 2 and 8 p.m. on Saturday, 2 p.m. only Sunday. 18 actors tell the story in under 75 minutes. Admission is \$15, \$12 for seniors, students with photo ID and SU alumni with Benefit Card. Children under 12 and SU ID holders receive one ticket free.

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Students show support for smoke-free campus

By Gwen Ferrand
Staff Writer

A debated issue on Salisbury University's campus came before the Student Government Association forum Sunday evening, Nov. 15, as the vote supporting the smoke-free campus resolution was passed with a majority vote by the student body. "It was a big step forward, because now we know that the students support the initiative," Colleges Against Cancer Co-President Lauren Friedman said.

CAC has been working on the smoke-free campaign. Working toward a smoke-free campus picked up in fall 2008 when SU received a grant from the Wicomico County Cigarette Restitution Fund.

Friedman and fellow CAC Co-President Eric Kennedy, along with

CAC member Bobby Audley, read the resolution at the forum. All three are also SGA senators.

"I've talked to more people who are in support of a smoke-free campus than are not," Audley said, referring to those who have come up and talked to him about the initiative.

However, there has been vocal opposition to the plan saying that banning smoking on campus infringes on rights.

There will be a first reading on Wednesday, Nov. 18 during a Staff Senate meeting. A second reading will be presented to the Faculty Senate after Thanksgiving.

There is nothing set up with the administration yet to discuss the initiative because it must first be passed by the faculty and staff senates, Kennedy noted, adding that the resolution has already passed in the student senate.

The campaign has permeated all areas of the campus, with copies of the resolution being handed out at The Commons, and CAC members standing in Red Square this past week to talk to students about it.

"It was really great to see the number of people who came out on either side. It showed that it really is an important issue to the campus community," Kennedy said.

Secondhand smoke is very powerful and has lasting effects, Audley said, adding that even being briefly exposed to secondhand smoke can raise the risk of cancer, heart disease and emphysema.

Audley noted there are other harmful things in the air such as pollution and car exhaust, but added, "we can do something about cigarette smoke."

Vanessa Jankin contributed to this story.

From the Press Release Office

Syrian Clarinetist to perform

SALISBURY, MD—An accomplished artist with an international reputation, renowned Syrian clarinetist Kinan Azmeh performs 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2, in Salisbury University's Holloway Hall Auditorium.

Azmeh became the first Arab to win the premier prize at the Nicolai Rubenstein International Competition in Moscow. Azmeh, a graduate of New York's esteemed Juilliard School and Syria's High Institute of Music, is completing his doctorate in music at New York University. Azmeh has toured the United States since 2006 and has produced musical compositions for both film and dance.

Performances include concerts at Carnegie Hall in New York, the Opera Bastille in Paris, Royal Albert Hall in London, der Philharmonie in Berlin, Teatro Colon in Buenos Aires and the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C.

Azmeh is a member of the Nova Scotia Youth Orchestra advisory board in addition to serving as director of the Damascus Festival Chamber Music Ensemble. Sponsored by the Office of Cultural Affairs and World Artists Experiences, Inc., admission to his performance is free and the public is invited.

Musical Theatre presentation to take place Dec. 3-5

SALISBURY, MD—From housewife to receptionist, to waitress to iron worker, Salisbury University's annual Musical Diner Theatre Workshop features Studs Terkel's Broadway sensation Working Thursday-Sunday, December 3-5.

Adapted by Nina Faso and Stephen Schwartz, tunemeister of the Disney animated features Pocahontas and The Hunchback of Notre Dame, "Working" debates the theme "we are what we do" with a stylistically mixed collection of solo and ensemble musical numbers from country to funk and rock 'n' roll.

Directed by Dr. William Folger, director of choral studies at SU, Dr. Darrell Mullins of the Communication Arts Department and choreographer Leigh Uilston of the Department of Music, performances are in the Wicomico Room of the GUC. Dinner shows are 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday. Seating begins at 6:30 p.m. with a "working person's buffet." Show-only performances are 8 p.m. Thursday, 3 p.m. Saturday, with seating starting 30 minutes prior to curtain.

Sponsored by the Charles R. and Martha N. Fulton School of Liberal Arts, admission is \$25 for dinner shows. Admission for show-only performances is \$10. SU ID holders receive one ticket free for show-only performances. Reservations are required. For tickets call 410-543-6386. For more information visit the SU Web site at www.salisbury.edu.

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Young

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Young's undergraduate degree in zoology adds another layer to his poems.

"I try to combine poetry and science," he said with a smile. Never shying away from more, Young turned to more dark themes in these, including "Breakable Things," in which he tells of forgotten suburban children and the painful lives of drugs and violence. Also written in unflinching style is his poem about "practicing regret," which tells of the soldiers whose sole job it is to inform families their loved one has been killed.

"That was my favorite of the night because it was really emotional and you almost see the soldiers and families having to go through that," said Megan James, who was visiting SU and did not expect to be so moved by Young's words.

The event was sponsored by the SU English Department, and at the end of the evening, audience members were informed on how to support or get involved with raising money for SU's literary magazine, the Mid-Atlantic Review.

timer, informing neighbors that the house will be empty, and not advertising that the house will be vacated.

When students sign up for residence checks, Salisbury city and Maryland state police will also check that residences are secure once a day, she added.

"This is an opportunity to hear other people's stories and ideas and show that students are fighting back against crime," Glanz said of the forum.

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Donations to the organization will continue for a week after the actual event and may be submitted at www.kidsofhonor.org. The goal for the Jail and Bail event is to raise a total of \$10,000 that will be donated to the Kids of Honor organization. Snacks and drinks will be served at the event and a raffle will be held for students to partake in.

"Together, these young people are learning marketing on a hands-on experience," Morris said. "They are getting sales training; when someone tells you no, how can you get them to say yes?"

collaborating with such a big group of people," Green said. "It was also really hard to get responses from participants."

As a marketing major, Green said her experience planning the event has only been for the better and has made her more confident in herself. She hopes her experience will be a stepping stone in helping her land the job of her dreams.

"I feel like I am able to network better and I feel more comfortable talking to people," she said. "There was definitely a lot of pressure working on the event, but it was good pressure and will benefit me in the long

run."

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Kickball

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The event ran until mid-afternoon when the "Fedorko Has No Chance" team was crowned winner. The team won a loaded prize basket filled with gift certificates to many of the sponsor's businesses, including a gym membership to Olympia Fitness.

"The players had a great time; the last two teams got really into the game and had a blast, it was really fun watching them play," Exercise Science Club Vice President Brittany Wilkerson said.

After all of the day's fun and games, Wilkerson said the Exercise Science Club wanted to thank those who supported the cause and got the event off of the ground, including event mastermind Exercise Science Club President Stephanie Pollitt and advisor Brent Fedorko.

"We are so grateful for the support of all of our sponsors. We would love to be able to hold this event next year, and I think there is a really good chance of that happening," Wilkerson said.

Safety

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"We want people to share stories about how they have been affected by crime and feel comfortable doing so."

SU will be almost completely covered in cameras in the near future. Glanz said she hopes that there will be more lighting on route to off campus housing and additional blue lights.

Jail & Bail

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carrying out Kids of Honor is the task of constantly asking for funds and donations.

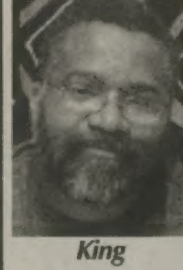
Senior Sarah Green took on the role as student lead for Jail and Bail and began working on the event during the first week of classes. Green worked with 12 other students from Morris' marketing class as well as individuals from Dr. Dover's e-marketing and sales classes to develop the event.

"The hardest thing I encountered was communicating and

Two Fulbright Scholars travel to Israel, Ghana in January



Polkinghorn



King

SALISBURY, MD—Two professors from SU's Charles R. and Martha N. Fulton School of Liberal Arts have been named Fulbright Scholars, one of higher education's highest honors, for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Dr. Brian Polkinghorn of the Department of Conflict Analysis and Dispute Resolution will spend six months at Tel Aviv University in Israel, while Dr. James King of the English Department will spend five months at the University of Ghana at Legon. Their appointments begin in January 2010.

Selected for achievement and leadership, the professors are among some 800 U.S. faculty and

professionals going abroad this year on Fulbrights. Established in 1946, the international exchange program operates in more than 150 countries.

The executive director of SU's Center for Conflict Resolution, Polkinghorn will help launch the new English language version of Tel Aviv University's M.A. in conflict resolution and mediation with Dr. Ephraim Ya'ar, director of the university's Evens program in international conflict and mediation. He also will further his research on graduate programs in conflict resolution and take part in several ongoing conflict intervention projects in Israel, including work with the Office of President Shimon Peres, winner of the 1994 Nobel Peace Prize.

For the past 17 years, Polkinghorn has taught more than 35 different courses in conflict resolution in a range of areas including international and environmental conflict processes, theories, design and

methods. He has also practiced, trained and conducted conflict research in more than 30 countries taking part in protracted, highly complex and sensitive international disputes. Recently he worked with the United Nations mandated University for Peace in Costa Rica, where he is providing program development expertise to assist 17 universities from Southeast Asia, India, the Middle East and the Horn of Africa in simultaneously constructing masters' programs in peace and conflict studies.

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GLOBAL

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Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas announces that he will not be running for another term as president. Elections are scheduled for January, but Abbas may step down even before that.

Palestinian President decides not to run for reelection

By James Asuquo-Brown III
Staff Writer

On Nov. 5, Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas said he would not seek another term in elections, which are scheduled for January. Abbas also intimated he may step down sooner than expected. Some suggest his moves are a ploy to restart peace talks citing similar threats in the past.

During his announcement, Abbas declared, "We had high hopes in President Obama—they had a very clear attitude on settlements—but it turned out that the American administration favored Israel."

Along with Obama, Abbas had made a full freeze of settlement construction a precondition for talks. Obama's progress with the Israelis on the issue appears to have lost momentum. The apparent last straw came with the U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's statement praising Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin

Netanyahu's agreement to restrictions on settlement building in the West Bank as "unprecedented." For Abbas, Secretary Clinton's language on the settlement freeze or lack thereof was apparently intolerable.

Abbas' potential plans put in peril the two-state solution which he has worked towards. Either way, it is clear that Hamas will capitalize on whatever decision he makes, backing down on settlements will ultimately have fundamentalists accusing him of being weak while resignation will have detractors using it as an example of how negotiating does not work.

Another source of frustration for Abbas is Netanyahu's grandstanding and refusal to recognize previous progress made with former Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert. Many sources reported how Abbas and Olmert were very close to striking an agreement which stalled on the right of return to Israel for Palestinian

refugees. Netanyahu has taken the option of starting from the Olmert deal off the table, further complicating things by insisting on "no preconditions."

Many fear Abbas' absence could prompt a return to armed struggle and a new intifada. Palestinian Prime Minister Salam Fayyad presented his report, Palestine - Ending the Occupation, Establishing the State, which envisions an independent Palestinian state in 2011. As a part of it, Fayyad reportedly struck a secret deal of understanding with the Obama Administration for U.S. recognition of a Palestinian state within the pre-1967 borders if peace talks fail, even if unilaterally declared.

Palestinian Legislative Council member Marwan Barghout, who currently is serving five life sentences in Israel is considered a front runner for Palestinian National Authority President.

All information in this article is sourced from *Ha'aretz*.

Hezbollah joins unity government with Lebanon prime minister

By Jeremy Riffle
Global Editor

Hezbollah and its allies in the government opposition have agreed to join a unity government with Saad Hariri, the U.S.-backed prime minister of Lebanon, after talks on Nov. 6. The agreement ends over five months of government-forming negotiations after Hariri's coalition of parties managed to win a June parliamentary election.

In the June election, the pro-Western and anti-Syrian March 14 alliance, led by Hariri, managed to win 71 of the 128 seats in the Lebanese parliament, while pro-Syrian Hezbollah and its allies won 57.

According to the agreement, Hariri's Future movement, which is Sunni-led, and its political allies in various Maronite Christian and Druze parties will control 15 out of 30 cabinet ministries. Hezbollah has been given two ministries, while its allies have received eight more. The remaining five ministries have been picked by Lebanon's Maronite Christian president Michael Sleiman.

Hezbollah, a Shiite militia-turned-political party, is one of the country's most powerful factions, receiving support from Iran and Syria. Considered a terrorist organization by the United States, Hezbollah was formed in response to the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in the

early 1980s. Hezbollah's political clout was strengthened when it survived a 2006 Israeli invasion of Lebanon, which was intended to free two Israeli soldiers captured by Hezbollah and to stop the militia's rocket attacks and raids on northern Israel.

Lebanon is one of the most divided countries in the Middle East, with recurring power struggles between the country's Maronite Christians, who have traditionally controlled the country, Shiite Muslims, who constitute the country's largest demographic group, and its minority populations of Sunnis and Druze. These power struggles culminated in a devastating civil war, taking place from 1975 to 1990, from which the country is still recovering.

In addition to such internal division, Lebanon has been subjected to the strategic demands of other countries in the region. In particular, neighboring Syria continues to exert a powerful influence in Lebanese politics, though Syria pulled its troops out in 2005 after a 29-year occupation amid widespread unrest and international pressure following the car bombing assassination of Rafik Hariri, a former Lebanese prime minister and the father of current Prime Minister Saad.

All information in this article is sourced from the BBC News Web site.

Cambodia's choice to employ Thaksin increases tension with Thailand

By Jeremy Riffle
Global Editor

Tension between Thailand and Cambodia have flared up once again, over Cambodia's employment of a former Thai prime minister. Each country expelled a diplomat representing the other, and Cambodia arrested and accused a man of spying on the former prime minister.

Cambodia's employment of Thaksin Shinawatra as an economic advisor has garnered much criticism from Thailand, who has been convicted on corruption charges, he extradited back his country to face justice and a two-year prison sentence.

Thaksin, a telecommunications billionaire, served as Thailand's prime minister from 2001 to 2006, when he was forced out of power in a bloodless military coup. Since 2007, Thaksin has essentially lived in self-imposed exile while Thailand's Supreme Court has found him guilty in absentia.

Earlier this month, Cambodia announced that it was hiring Thaksin as an advisor on developing the Cambodian economy. "We are looking forward to learning from Thaksin's great economic experience and we are convinced that his experience will contribute to our country's economic development," said Khieu Kanharith, Cambodia's information minister.

There are concerns in Thailand that Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen, who is a friend of Thaksin, will allow Thaksin to use Cambodia as a political base to undermine the current Thai government in an attempt to return to power.

Thailand has reacted to Thaksin's employment by demanding that Cambodia extradite him. Cambodia has refused, claiming that the charges against Thaksin were politically motivated. In response to Cambodia's rejection of the extradition demand, Thailand withdrew its ambassador to the country and cancelled a memorandum of understanding about joint oil and gas exploration in the Gulf of Thailand, the resources of which both countries have competing claims over.

Last week, Cambodia arrested Siwarak Chothipong, who works for the Cambodia Air Traffic Service, for allegedly supplying Thailand with Thaksin's flight schedule. Additionally, Cambodia expelled the first secretary of Thailand's embassy in Phnom Penh, who Cambodian authorities claim was the recipient of the schedule.

Thailand has retaliated by ejecting the first secretary of the Cambodian embassy in Bangkok.

Cambodia and Thailand have had a historically difficult relationship, with a more than a hundred-year-old dispute between both countries over territory around Preah Vihear, an 11th-century temple complex that sits on the border between the two countries. In April, Thai and Cambodian troops exchanged gunfire across the disputed area, with Thai authorities claiming afterwards that two of their soldiers had been killed and another seven were wounded.

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"I appreciate Professor Neville because he makes history fun and easy."

-Jordan Acton, freshman



"Lacie Doyle does so much for the Office of Student Affairs, and it all affects the students of SU in some way. Her hard work is never ending, and often goes unnoticed. Not to mention she does it all while carrying an extra person!"

-Hayley Eftand, junior



"Ellen Neufeldt is constantly working to make SU a better place for all students. She puts in extremely long days and always has a smile on her face."

-Julia Glanz, junior



"I appreciate Dr. Cumming; her class is awesome and she is always willing to help her students."

-Andrew Cantor, freshman



"I appreciate Professor Genvert because she's so nice. I may switch my major to history just to have her as a professor again."

-Stephanie Johnson, sophomore

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Don't blame Islam for Fort Hood

By Jeremy Riffle
Editorial Editor

Last week, Major Nidal Hasan, a Palestinian-American Muslim in the U.S. Army, shot and killed 13 people and wounded an additional 30 at Fort Hood in Killeen, Tex. Hasan's background, the statements he is alleged to have made and contacts he has had with a radical imam, have prompted questions of whether, or, in the case of some pundits and politicians, declarations that, this unconscionable act of violence was a terrorist act inspired by Islamic extremism.

It's possible that we will never know what truly motivated Hasan's bloody rampage, but what is the case, unfortunately, is that once again Muslims are now going to be subjected to the fear and suspicion of non-Muslim Americans. In the aftermath of the attack, there have been a slew of blog posts, magazine articles, and television segments that have hinted, implied, or even proclaimed outright that there is something "wrong" with Islam and Muslims.

As an analyst on Fox News pointed out, "It's clear that the problem is Islam." Pat Robertson announced that Islam is "not a religion." Rush Limbaugh has declared that Hasan was not an extremist, but that he represents

the mainstream of Muslims.

All this talk about how Muslims in America and around the world are supposedly lying in wait, trying to lull Americans and the West into a false sense of security or using the promotion of diversity in order to slaughter them and transform America into a caliphate at the first opportunity is despicable and harms America's image of being a tolerant nation. Such indiscriminate demonization not only hurts those innocent Muslims who condemn violence performed in their religion's name, but also serves as fodder for those extremists looking for an enemy to target with their perverted form of Islam.

I have several Muslim friends. Whenever I hear such baseless attacks upon their religion, a crucial aspect of who each of them is as an individual, I become outraged. Such attacks upon my friends are so patently groundless and so erroneous that I would laugh at them if they weren't so odious and pernicious.

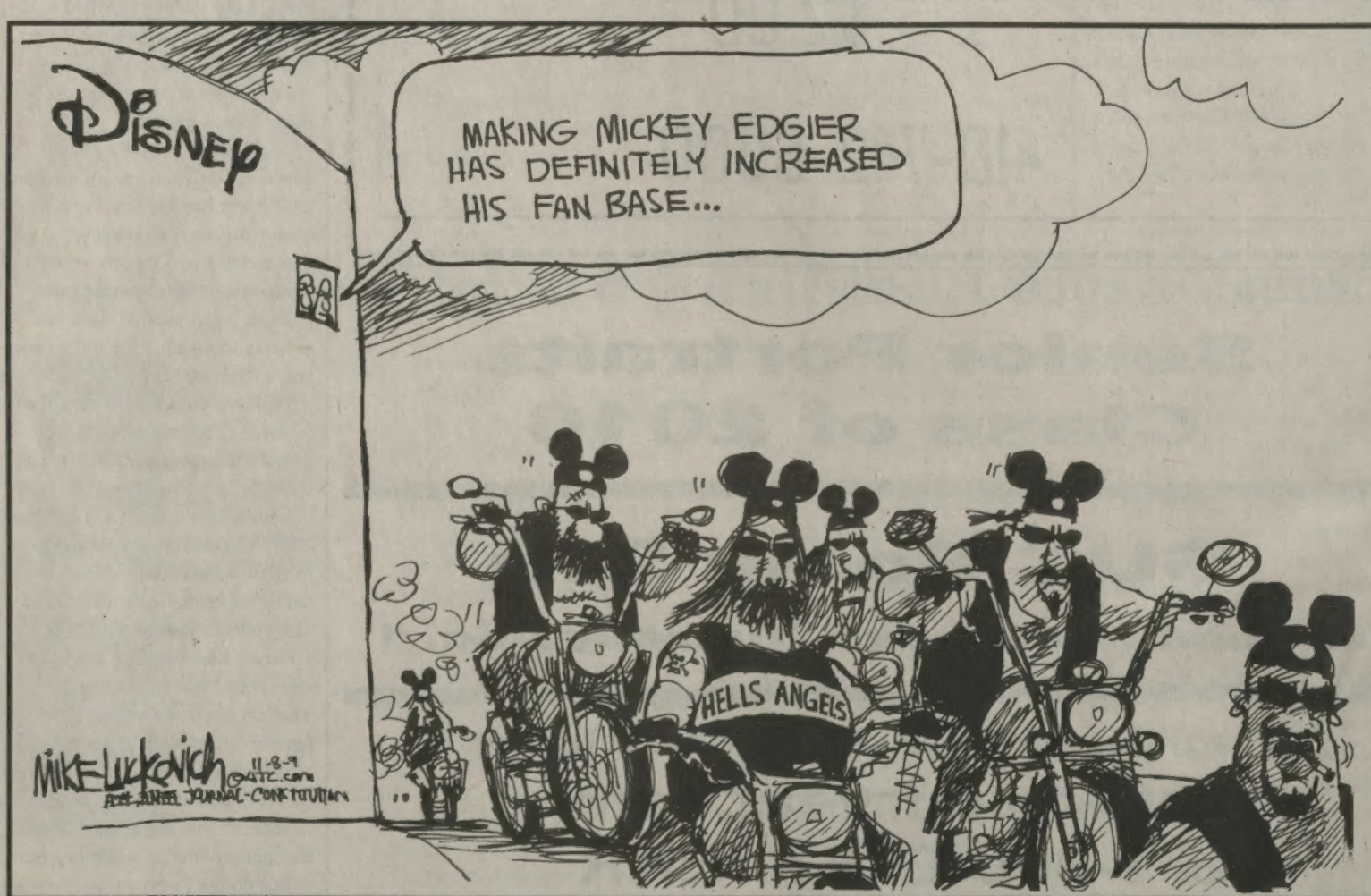
What happened at Fort Hood was tragic and detestable, but it is important to realize that blame lies on Hasan, and not on Muslims as a whole. To condemn an entire community for the actions of a small minority of that community is unjust. If we do not recognize that, then the damage will spread far beyond Killeen, Tex.

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My roommate is a smoker, and I don't mind it, but on rainy or cold days she's been starting to smoke inside. I really hate the smell it leaves in the house, but I feel that it is her house too, so she has the right to smoke inside if she wants. How can I bring up the issue without offending her or coming off as if I own the house?

Politely discuss this issue with your roommate by telling her that her smoking inside the house is bothering you. If she knows that it bothers you, she will hopefully stop doing it. Also, bring up your concerns about second-hand smoke to her, so she sees where you are coming from. Both of you should compromise your ways to live more happily since you are living together.

My best friend is totally awesome and has always been there for me. I have one problem with her though. She makes fun of a lot of people—sometimes even to their faces. I confronted her about it before, but she didn't listen. I don't think I can be her friend when it comes to how she treats other people. How can I make her realize that what she does is hurtful?

Although she is your best friend, you need to stand up to her, and defend whoever she is making fun of. Perhaps she is insecure about herself, so she finds the need to make fun of others. Discuss with her how she truly feels. And if insecurity is the case, help her gain self-confidence by letting her realize she does not have to put other people down to feel good about herself. If she continues to make fun of others, let her know that you cannot remain friends.

Hasan's actions show that political correctness should not stop people from speaking out against a threat

By Chad Grills
Staff Writer

Nidal Malik Hasan's murdering of 13 soldiers and critical wounding of 29 more at Fort Hood is appalling. My feelings of disgust and contempt for a man who can murder unarmed women and men are immeasurable. Hasan had been in the military for years without ever deploying. He had made attempts to contact al-Qaeda. He had been in contact with imams and other "spiritual leaders" who advocate violence against the United States.

Hasan is an example of a radical Muslim and a wretched coward that enacts violence by slaughtering inno-

cents. Hasan has been appropriately charged with 13 counts of murder, and is eligible for the death penalty. He should receive it.

After the anger subsides from having to consider this monstrous person, other questions arise. How could someone like this operate unchecked? Surely someone would have spoken up after Hasan articulated his views on conflicts in the Middle East and the treatment of nonbelievers. The London Telegraph has an excellent piece outlining Hasan's various comments. A "medical lecture" by Hasan turned into an hour-long brief on the Qur'an, culminating with the prescribed beheading of infidels, boiling oil being poured down their throats,

and then set on fire. On top of this he didn't perform his job to standard, and continually got poor performance reviews from his superiors.

Those who worked with him knew of his outspoken sympathies with suicide bombers, and attacks on U.S. troops abroad. So why didn't anyone speak up? An adherence to political correctness.

Hasan's supervisors were terrified of being labeled anti-Islamic. The costs of a possible reprimand or stigma were seen as outweighing the costs of not reporting dangerous behavior. Our American culture has become inundated and permeated by an acceptance for everything; we have become afraid of publically judging

anything. To form opinions about others of another race or religion is seen as evil.

I propose an alternative (the properly articulated conservative response). Individuals should be judged on the merits of their character. A person's race, ethnicity, gender and sexual orientation are all inconsequential to those who think for themselves. If someone is a threat, people should not be afraid to speak up. Those with genuine concerns need to be free to voice them without fear of punishment. Praising diversity is an unacceptable response to this travesty. Evil exists; Hasan is the manifestation of it, and those like him must be stopped.

Unordinarily S(h)ane Shopaholic tips

By Shane Hill
Staff Writer

From one converted shopaholic to another, following these four simple tips can help save you and your wallet. Paper or Plastic? If you are like me, you will pull your credit or debit card out on the dime. The problem with swiping is that you may swipe without truly knowing how much you are spending. So go to the ATM instead to take out money. Taking out money allows you to directly see when it runs out. It is like telling yourself, "enough is enough." When you run out of paper, do not

go back for more. If you intentionally leave the plastic at home, you will not spend what you do not have.

Do your research and get organized!

Your past shopping will tell you a lot about your future spending. If you have access to your card spending, monitor how much you spend in a week. Then, designate your spending into one of these five categories: food, entertainment, clothes, school and traveling. Obviously these categories may hold different priorities for everyone. After seeing the divided expenditures, you learn to budget each category properly. If you continue to measure for a month, you

can see just how much dough you have saved!

Learn to Budget.

If you are not too savvy on planning ahead, budgeting is one of those things you hate. Surprisingly, it helps to set limits and saves you in the long run. Try giving yourself a monthly allowance. If you are not that type of person, try a weekly allowance. Take out just enough money for the week or month, and make it last! If you somehow have leftovers, you can save it to treat yourself at the end of the week or month.

Just say NO!

Many stores from Best Buy to

American Eagle have their own store credit cards. Many offer promising discounts, but what they do not tell you is that the interest rates are high. If you keep up with the payments and do not spend more than you have, you may think you are in good shape. However, chances are you got the card because you were already a shopaholic, which is exactly what the store wants. They like to hook you in, and keep you shopping while in debt. So instead of being easy and signing your name, read the fine print, or just say no! Your wallet will thank you later.

XOXO, Shane

Letter to the Editor

Re: "Democrats leading the U.S. on the wrong path"

The editorial titled "Democrats leading the U.S. on the wrong path" is full of misleading information and implications that portray an untrue image of the president and the Democratic Party. The most glaring example of this is the implication that the president does not care about the victims of the Fort Hood shooting because he did not comment on the shooting during his speech to the Tribal Nations Conference, which happened on the same day. It's true, the president didn't mention the Fort Hood shooting, for the simple fact that the shooting occurred several hours after his speech.

The editorial also says that the

Democrats' stimulus plan has "failed wretchedly." It is hardly possible to declare whether the plan has failed or not, since only 58 percent of the money has been used yet.

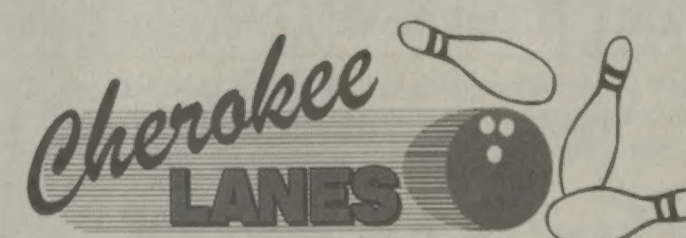
The editorial implies that the president is to blame for the high rate of unemployment in America today. However, the economic collapse that led to this high unemployment rate happened under the former (Republican) administration. Our current (Democratic) president's stimulus plan has already saved or created 640,329 jobs. This information is also very easy to find. All the author of the editorial would have had to do was go to recovery.gov.

It is also implied that health care reform would raise costs; this is only true if the reform plan does not include a public option and does not require all Americans to be covered. A public option would provide competition to the insurance market and requiring all Americans to be covered would mean healthier, younger people being insured, thus driving costs down.

The editorial implies that money is the motivation behind health care reform, completely ignoring the fact that legislators gain nothing from reforming health care (they are already covered) and in fact stand to lose thousands of dollars in campaign contributions

from insurance companies. The author's use of misleading information and negative implications is indicative of a wider problem in our country. The Glenn Becks and Keith Olbermanns of the world would rather make outrageous, deceptive claims, such as "President Obama doesn't care about the Fort Hood shooting," than have rational, constructive discussions. Of course, there will never be total agreement by everyone or on every issue, but until we can have open, honest discussions, we can never do what is right for America.

-Shane Sarver



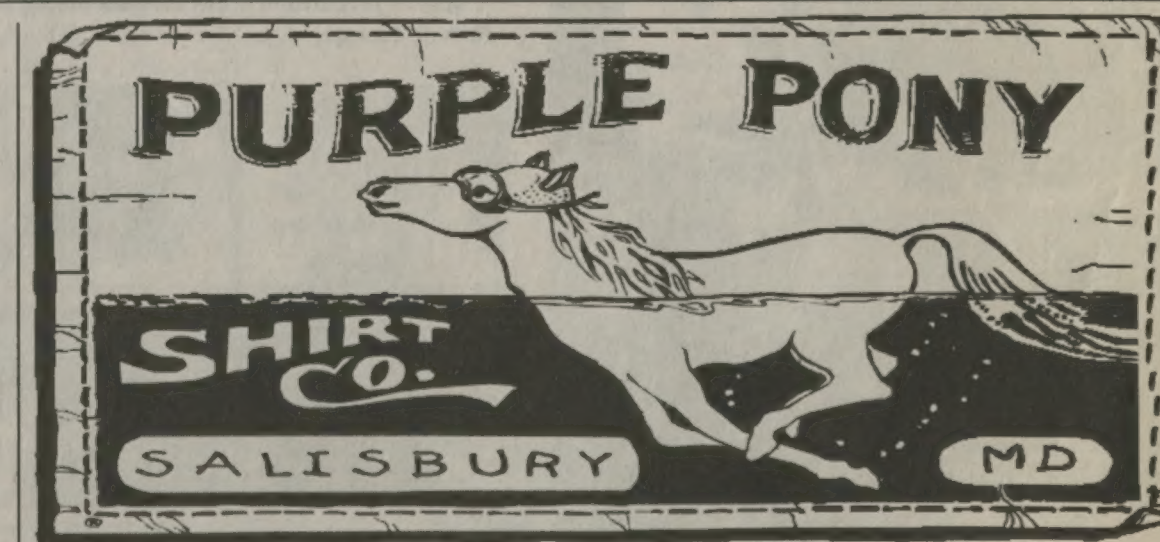
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SU Dance Company showcases student talent in 20th annual fall presentation

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

Last week, the SU Dance Company celebrated its 20th annual Fall Showcase, which was directed by Mary Norton and presented by the Department of Theatre and Dance.

The fall production featured new and original works by seven members who were chosen to choreograph their own pieces, along with a final piece choreographed by Jessica Hindman-Wheatley, the director of the Eastern Shore Dance Academy and the Cambridge Ballet Company.

Katie Erdman, Velia Biagiatti, Jennifer De Chello, Felicia Grube, Jennifer Lawyer, Tricia May and Jordan Mitchell were the student members who choreographed pieces.

The show featured a variety of dances including lyrical, contemporary, ballet and modern. Costumes, props, and an assortment of background colors were part of the performance, along with music from popular artists Justice & Jay Z, Martina McBride, Kings of Leon, Coldplay and One Republic.

The show concluded with the

entire 22-member company performing in the piece "The Last Time," a modern dance choreographed by Wheatley to music by Gnarts Barkley.

This year's showcase winner was Erdman for her "Mr. Blue" choreography.

"This is Katie's third work for the company and she has won the showcase adjudication for three consecutive years," De Chello said. "Erdman is amazing. She is a talented individual and I am so lucky to have had the pleasure of working with her."

Erdman said she chose the song "Mr. Blue Sky" by Electric Light Orchestra because it was one of her favorite songs growing up.

"For this piece, I was inspired by the song lyrics to 'Mr. Blue Sky' and actually the song lyrics of Coldplay's 'Politik.' I got the blindfold idea when listening to the song 'Politik,' and thought that it would be cool to choreograph a dance with blindfolds, but I really wanted to choreograph to Electric Light Orchestra's 'Mr. Blue Sky,' so after listening to the lyrics, I found a way to make it work," Erdman said.

According to Norton, members

began the preparation for the showcase last May and had to audition for the show. At the beginning of the semester, members were invited to submit a request to choreograph in the fall show.

"After reviewing all proposals, I selected six to eight proposed dances based on strength of concept and originality. The choreographers then had to hold an audition for their work and choose the dancers themselves," Norton said. "The Dance Company members indicated the dances in which they were interested in being cast."

For about seven weeks, dancers were working hard to rehearse each piece on a weekly basis. SU Dance Company president De Chello choreographed "Capitivate." She said she selected her music based on the feel that it gave her.

"I loved the beat of the music and it made me feel good and want to move which is why I picked it. I wanted the 'audience to experience something different and really be 'wowed,'" she said.

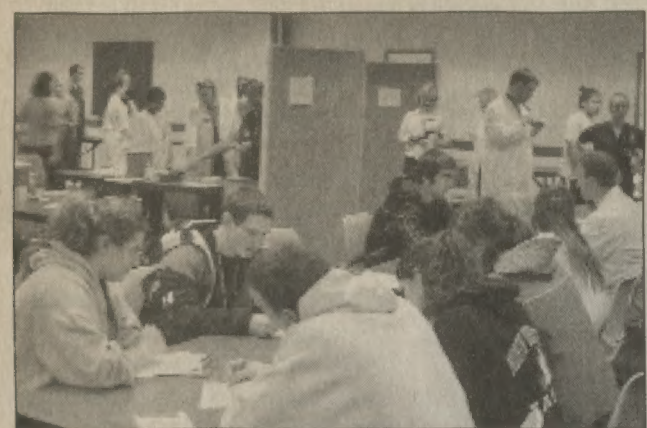
The proceeds from this year's showcase went to CLJ Baskets With Love, a local organization providing gift baskets to juvenile cancer patients.



Submitted photo

Members of the SU Dance Company present a piece during the 20th annual Fall Showcase. The group performed dances to eight songs.

From the Photo Bank: What's Happening On Campus



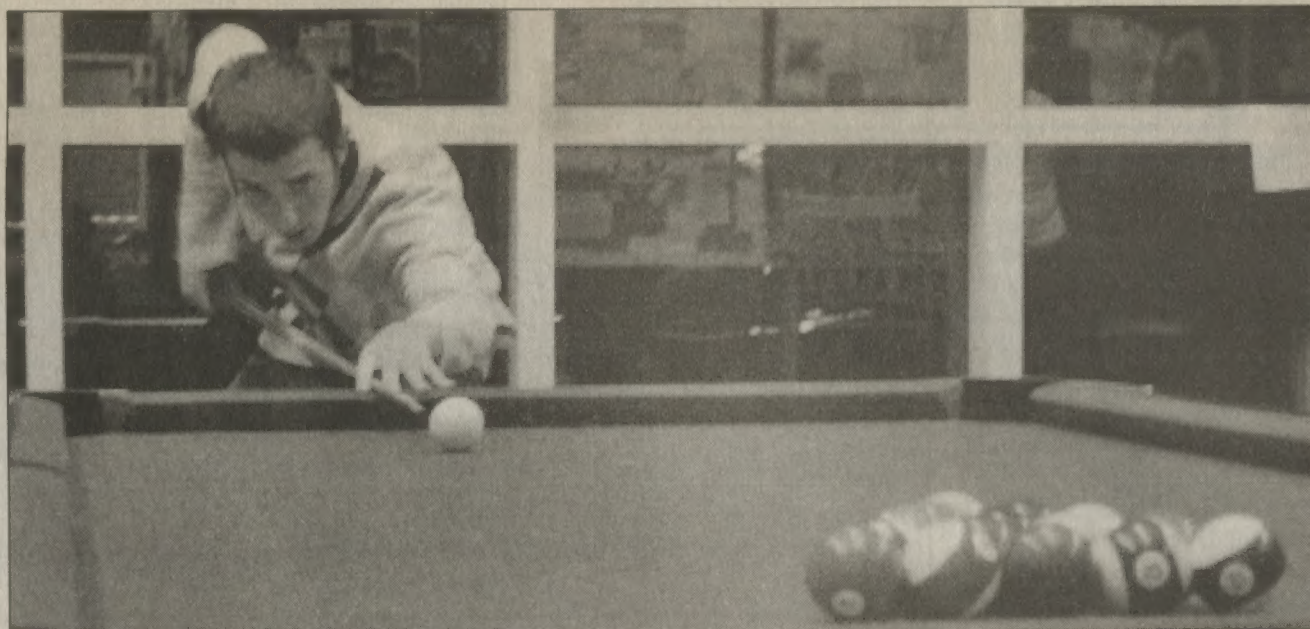
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Students fill out forms before receiving the H1N1 vaccine on Wednesday, Nov. 11 at the H1N1 Vaccination Clinic.



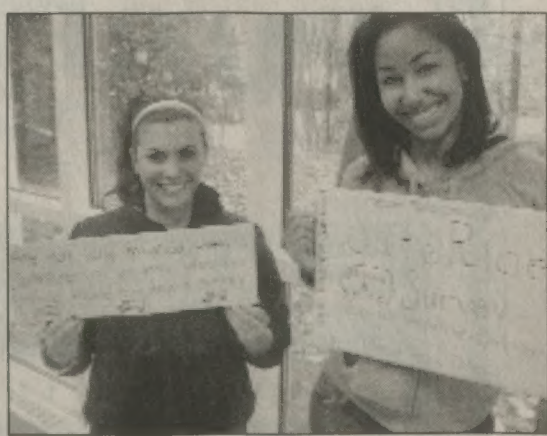
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Seniors Tim Martin and Rebecca Conway, who work for the horticulture department, rake leaves after the storms.



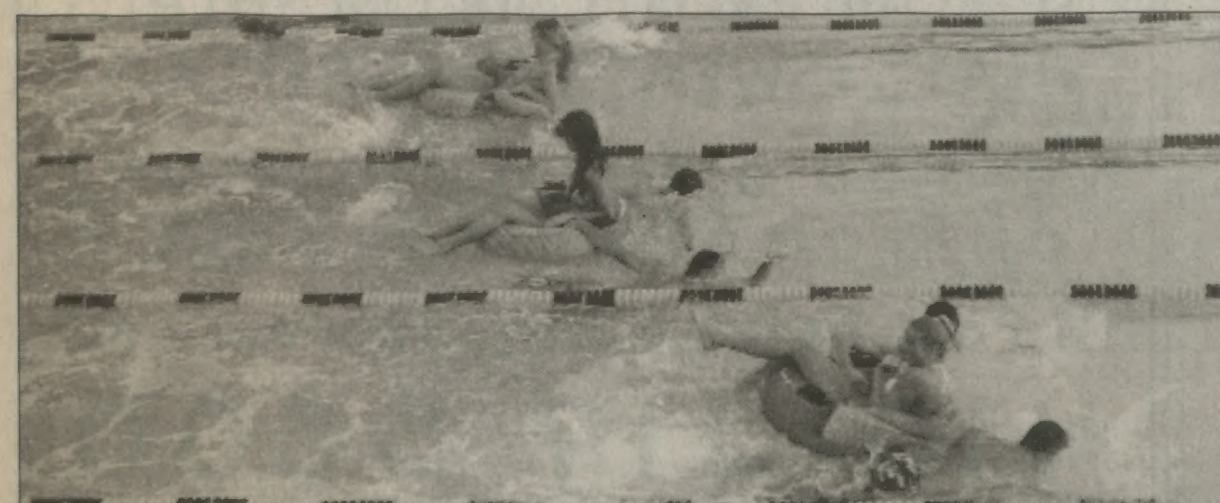
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A student prepares to break the rack during the GUC's Pool Tournament, which was held on Thursday, Nov. 12 in the Fireside Lounge.



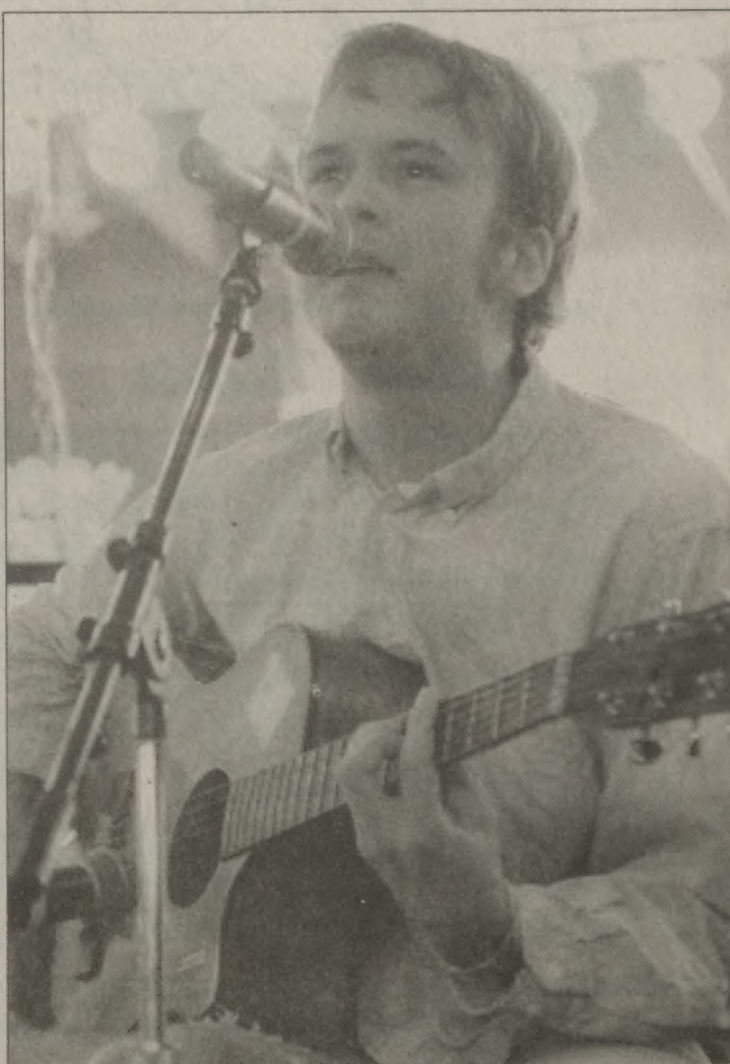
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Amanda Deutsch and Aimee Dawkins promote a survey about Saferide for their CMAT 240 class.



Erin Corcoran photo

Teams take part in events at Maggs Pool as part of Anchor Splash, which Delta Gamma hosted on Sunday, Nov. 15. The event raises money for the Service for Sight organization.



Lorie Liebig photo

Geoff Kilian performs to a crowd in Gull's Nest during Open Mic Night, an event SOAP held on Wednesday, Nov. 11.

What's Cooking? | Recipes for a tight budget

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

At this point in the semester nearly everyone on campus is ready for Thanksgiving break. As you make plans to visit family and friends this year, you'll probably be including the inevitable trip to a family member's house to celebrate Thanksgiving.

More symbolic than historical, the Thanksgiving holiday, for many, is one which evokes childhood memories of family gatherings and traditions, passed on and maintained through generations.

For some, Thanksgiving is a grandiose affair, celebrated in true American fashion, where

you watch football and eat for the whole day, making sure not an ort is left on the table. For others, the holiday is more about recognizing and honoring the things and the people for which one is thankful.

Some people even take advantage of the holiday as an opportunity to serve the vulnerable and less fortunate members of their communities.

However you celebrate the holiday, food is almost always a centerpiece, and provides a way in which families and friends can express solidarity.

This week and next week of "What's Cooking?" will be dedicated to exploring some of these food traditions, as well as new

twists on the usual suspects found on many a table during the Thanksgiving holiday.

Cranberries are an autumn staple, and lend themselves well to Thanksgiving-type dishes of all varieties including relishes and spreads, stuffings, salads, casseroles and desserts. Available only in autumn and early winter, the cranberry is a 'super-food' of sorts, packing loads of antioxidants and vitamins.

After developing a vigilant

consciousness of the ingredients and food I bring into my kitchen and consume, I'm scared to revisit the jiggly mass of manufactured gunk, shamefully passed off as cranberry sauce. To one who takes pride in crafting both traditional and innovative dishes from fresh ingredients (on a very tight budget), the gelatinous, tin can shaped red-colored "cranberry sauce" which finds its way onto the menu of so many Thanksgiving celebrations

is off-putting (if not offensive).

This week's recipe for cranberry sauce is a return to the pre-industrial era of food production and over consumption. I would even venture as to say this version of a cranberry sauce is more traditional, and certainly is more authentic. This cranberry sauce pairs well with cheeses, hot cereal and breads of all types, and would be great on a sandwich with leftover turkey.

Apple Cranberry Sauce

12 ounces fresh cranberries, washed (can be frozen)
1 medium green apple, roughly chopped
¼ - ½ cup of cane sugar (organic preferably)
1 - 2 ounces Southern Comfort or Gran Marnier (or orange liquor)
½ cup orange juice or water (more as needed)
1 - 2 tbsp. fresh grated ginger (optional)

Method:

In a small - medium saucepan, cook the cranberries (fresh or frozen), apple, cane sugar, liquor and juice over medium heat. When liquid reaches a boil reduce heat to low and simmer, stirring occasionally to evenly heat all of the cranberries and apple pieces. Allow the cranberries and liquid to simmer for about 25 to 30 minutes on low.

If using, add ginger after simmering for about 10 minutes, or at it at the end for a more intense ginger flavor.

When the liquid has reduced and the cranberries and apple are soft, remove from heat.

Mash the fruit with a fork or the back of a spoon and refrigerate.

Makes about two cups of cranberry sauce.

Marketing students plan, host charity events

By Diana Dwyer
Staff Writer

Students in Paula Morris's Marketing 331 class, Promotion Management, used their marketing and organizational skills to benefit charities. These included Women Supporting Women, Christian Shelter, Inc., and Wounded Warriors. Between the two class sections, seven groups are working on this type of project.

Activities included fundraising with local restaurants, a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, food drives, and awareness building

events.

Two fundraisers benefiting Women Supporting Women were held at The Greene Turtle in Salisbury. The local nonprofit organization aims to support and educate everyone affected by breast cancer.

From 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 10 to 1 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 11, The Greene Turtle donated 10 percent of their receipts to the Women Supporting Women organization during "Funds for Friends" day.

"Funds for Friends" is a corporate initiative that donates to a

local charity at least one Tuesday every month," said Jason Knipe, manager at The Greene Turtle in Salisbury. "To date, we've donated over half a million dollars as a Greene Turtle corporation."

The Greene Turtle also held "Greene Goes Pink" night for Women Supporting Women on Thursday, Nov. 12 from 8 to 11 p.m.

There was a raffle for prizes from local businesses including gift cards and merchandise. To get participants to think pink for Women Supporting Women, The Greene Turtle offered pink drink specials. A live DJ went on at 9:30 p.m.

"I was thrilled with the turnout, and I think they raised something over \$1,000 for Women Supporting Women. Those are the kinds of impacts we're making," Morris said. "It's just helping out and finding a couple dollars in the events that other nonprofits wouldn't have access to in another direction."

The group raised \$1,278 for Women Supporting Women during the Greene Turtle events.

From 9:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 13 to 12:30 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 14, one group organized a "Freaky Friday" fundraiser at the Monkey Barrel in spirit of Friday the 13th. All proceeds benefited a Christian Shelter, Inc., a local homeless shelter. The night featured food specials and a "monster drink special."

About \$500 was raised for the shelter.

"Our group wanted to help those who help the homeless, as it



Adrienne Price photo

Jamal Coleman, Joel Syphard, Jim Morrison, Cassie Thompson and Lisa Monahan sell lollipops and give out energy drinks to raise money for Christian Shelter, Inc. and to promote their Freaky Friday event.

is a growing concern," said Sara Humphreys, who helped organize the event. "We wanted to design a group students would be attracted to, so we chose the Monkey Barrel."

One event was a "post-it" 50/50 raffle in which participants pay to put their name on a "post-it." A name was pulled, and the winner won 50 percent of the money raised for the raffle while the other half went towards the shelter.

There were many door prizes for the events including gift certificates and special gift baskets. The gift certificates were for Seacrets, Applebee's and Market Street Inn while the gift baskets were from Outback Steakhouse and Famous Dave's.

Despite the bad weather, many people came out to support the cause. The class project was a

hands-on experience for students to learn about promotion.

"If you're going to learn about promotion, you need something to promote," Morris said. "In essence, their goal is to put together an entire event so that they understand the ins and outs. There are pieces of planning, executing, and promoting the event. As they do these three things, they're doing it in a real world setting and [as] a group."

Although the fundraising events for the classes are over, the Salisbury University community can still help by donating to the respective causes.

"[Fundraising for local charities] engages the community and helps them understand just how valuable the University is to the community," Morris said. "This is just another way they help touch the community."

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Guiding Eyes for the Blind seeks puppy raisers



Margo Demers photo

Anthony, the dark puppy, and another puppy are training to be guide dogs. Guiding Eyes for the Blind is looking for puppy raisers from SU.

By Heather Comer
Staff Writer

On a sunny day, Salisbury resident Margo Demers walks Anthony around the Salisbury University campus. Anthony is a three-month old black labrador retriever and is not just any dog. Anthony is training to be a guide dog in the program Guiding Eyes for the Blind.

GEB is a non-profit organization that supplies the blind community with exceptionally trained guide dogs. The University of Delaware has several students and staff participating in the program and is searching for volunteers from SU too.

"My favorite part of puppy raising is seeing a tiny dog start to blossom into what he or she is

born to do," Demers said. "To look at their faces and watch them think things through—and then bam! They've figured it out, and do exactly as you wanted them to do. This is how the whole process starts, where the 'guide dog' begins," Demers is raising her third puppy.

GEB puppies are placed at seven weeks and remain with their raiser for 12 to 18 months. During this time, the puppy learns a new lifestyle.

"When they place a puppy in your hands, you fall in love," said Barbara Byle, the Delmarva Regional Coordinator. Byle is raising her fifth puppy.

Training involves weekly to bi-monthly trips to Delaware.

"It is such a huge commitment. During the first couple of months,

it's like having a new baby," Demers said.

At the end of the training period, the raisers give up their charges, so the puppies can continue training for another six months.

"After [the puppy] completes their training, it is amazing to see the [one] you raised walk across the stage at graduation," Byle said.

Committed puppy raisers are difficult to find, however. According to the GEB Web site, www.volunteer-guidingeyes.org, more than 60 percent of the organization's raisers are repeat raisers. To become a volunteer, contact Barbara Byle at (302) 422-3522, or call 1800-GEB-LABS.

"In the end, you know that it's for a good cause, and the puppies are going to help people," Byle said.

Urban Salisbury, Inc. hosts holiday festivities, drink creation contest

Submitted by Liz Doyle for Urban Salisbury, Inc.

Holiday Festival

Downtown Salisbury will host Holiday Festival events and get locals into the holiday spirit. Urban Salisbury will host a 3rd Friday Event on Friday, Nov. 20. There will be arts, crafts, food and music starting at 5 p.m.

The annual Community Tree Lighting will also be taking place at the 3rd Friday event this month at the Government Office Building and Main & Division streets at 5 p.m.

Dance Center of Salisbury, Mitchell's Martial Arts and the Salisbury University Vocal Ensemble will perform at this event. Other musical performances include the St. Francis de Sales Student Choir, St. Peter's Children's Choir and the St. Peter's Handbells.

There will also be window displays

Downtown on Monday, Nov. 23.

Festivities continue on Friday, Nov. 28 at the Winter Wonderland and the Boat Parade. At 5:30 p.m., people can visit City Park and watch the lights. Then, at 7:15 p.m., Santa's fleet will arrive decked out for the holidays at Brew River in the Boat Parade.

The annual Christmas Parade on Mt. Hermon Road and East Main Street will take place Saturday, Dec. 6 at 2 p.m.

Another 3rd Friday Event will take place December 18.

The Downtowner drink competition

Six Downtown restaurants: Escape Restaurant, Flavors Italian Grille, The Market Street Inn, the Rivervalk Grill at the Holiday Inn, Sushi de Kanpai and Yum Café are going to use their imaginations to craft an original cocktail – The Downtowner. Those 21 and older are invited Downtown to

visit local bartenders as they compete.

Urban Salisbury is challenging the mixologists at your favorite establishments to use their choice of ingredients to create an original recipe for a drink that will be popular with Downtown visitors and friends.

The contest begins on Nov. 2. Three judges will visit each establishment between 5 and 7 p.m. on Nov. 19 to taste the entries. The winner will be announced at the Tree Lighting Ceremony on Nov. 20. A plaque from Urban Salisbury will be awarded to the winner.

The winning recipe will be posted on the Urban Salisbury Web site at www.urbansalisbury.org.

People can make The Downtowner drink at home with friends or come Downtown to the winning restaurant and request it.

For more information about any of these events, call Urban Salisbury at 410-546-3205.

SU wins Goodman Accounting Challenge

SALISBURY, MD — When it comes to accounting, SU students are No. 1 in the Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, Pennsylvania, North Carolina and Washington, D.C., region for the second straight year.

SU's team recently took first place in the annual Goodman Accounting Challenge, giving Salisbury back-to-back wins in the competition. Members of the first-place team included senior Ross Crosby, second-degree student Audrey McKenrick and seniors Kyle Smith and Brittany Stern.

"We have entered 15 teams into the preliminary challenge over the past seven years; 11 have made it to the finals, and we have won it three times," said Dr. Kenneth Smith, who co-advises the team with Dr. Pat Derrick, both of the Accounting and Legal Studies Department. "No other school has placed more than four teams in the finals over this same time period."

Other teams in this year's competition included American University, James Madison University and the University of Virginia.

Hosted by the Virginia-based Goodman & Co., one of the nation's largest accounting and consulting firms, the challenge is an interactive and educational competition created to promote the integrity of the accounting profession and recognize outstanding students. The contest is open to those in Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

During the contest, each student team takes a pre-qualifying test at its home campus. The five highest-scoring teams compete in the final challenge, a six-hour exam hosted by Goodman in Glen Allen, Va. Students on the first-place team earned \$1,500 each, with an additional \$2,500 going to SU's Accounting and Legal Studies Department.

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Two late goals propel field hockey to NCAA semifinals

By Tom Watson
Sports Editor

It was a beautiful day on Saturday and the No. 2 women's field hockey team was enjoying every minute of it as they defeated No. 5 SUNY Cortland that afternoon 3-2 in order to advance to the NCAA Division III semifinal round.

It was an intense, physical game that saw over 100 fouls and 24 penalty corners, of which Salisbury held the edge, 14-10.

The Red Dragons (19-1) got on board first with a goal in the 14th minute of play, marking only the fifth time this season that the Sea Gulls had trailed in a match. Salisbury (18-1, 6-0 CAC) evened the score, though, when senior forward Lauren Correll dished a pass to sophomore back Tara McGovern in the 26th minute, tying

the game 1-1.

The Sea Gulls outshot Cortland 15-8, but the score remained tied until late in the second half when sophomore forward Alison Bloodworth scored to put the Gulls ahead with just under seven minutes to play.

Salisbury fans cheered from the stands, feeling as if that might be the goal to win the game, but just 26 seconds later, Correll put the icing on the cake with a fast break that would beat Red Dragon goalkeeper Ashley Hughes (eight saves) for an unassisted goal, all but clinching the game for the maroon and gold. The goal was Correll's twentieth of the season.

"I knew that the [final] goal was going to be essential in winning the game. Two goals isn't enough against a team like Cortland," said Correll in an interview after the game.

SU would finish the game strong and hang on to their lead, sending the previously undefeated Red Dragons home and advancing to the national semifinals by a 3-2 score for the first time since 2007. Sophomore goalkeeper Anna Cooke had three saves in the contest.

The victory avenged Salisbury's loss to Cortland in 2008, when the Red Dragons ended Salisbury's season, defeating the Gulls 4-3 in overtime of the second round of NCAA tournament play.

With the win, Salisbury will now travel to South Hadley, Mass. to face No. 4 Tufts University on Nov. 21. The Gulls will try to advance to the national championship game for the first time since 2005, when they won their third straight Division III national title.



Lindsay O'Neal photo

The field hockey team celebrates after one of two late goals was scored to give Salisbury the lead over No. 5 SUNY Cortland 3-2.

Men's soccer eliminated from tournament on PKs

By Alexis Howard
Staff Writer

The rain caused by Hurricane Ida made the soccer complex a muddy mess, but that did not stop the men's soccer team (15-3-2) during round one of the Division III NCAA tournament against Virginia Wesleyan on Saturday.

With 10 minutes left in the first half, Kyle Sterling gave the Gulls the lead over the Marlins off a Casey Rector free kick.

"When the ball was in the air, I knew if the defenders didn't head it, it was coming in my direction and I knew I could put it away," Sterling said.

Three minutes later, Kenneth Price sent the Gulls into the locker room with a 2-0 lead.

The Sea Gulls kept the pressure on in the second half as Alex Hargrove put Salisbury up by three.

It took just over an hour for the Marlins to get on the scoreboard as Wesleyan's Clay Price scored an unassisted goal past SU goalie Joshua Scotton.

Hargrove then sealed the victory, scoring his second goal of the game, which brought the final tally to 4-1.

"We had to concentrate on keeping ourselves behind the ball, concentrating more on touch. When it's wet it's not as pretty. It was more physical, but we handled it well,"

Rector said.

It was crunch time on Sunday when the team faced their next challenge in the second round against Johns Hopkins University.

As captain, Hargrove gave his team a pep talk to prepare them for the game.

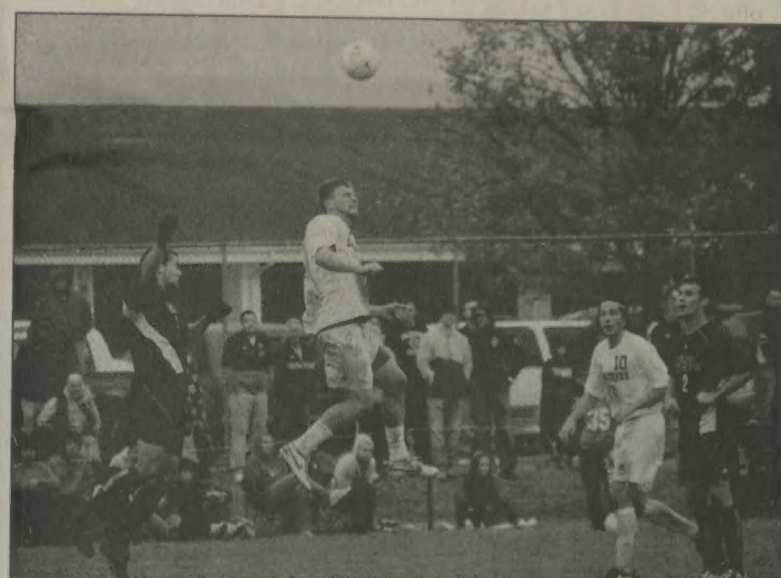
"We go through pre-game talks the night before. On the walk over we stopped in the tunnel and got a little rowdy," Hargrove said.

It was a nail biter for the nearly 300 fans in attendance as the Sea Gulls and Blue Jays battled for 90 minutes to a scoreless tie. Both Benjamin Reed and Sterling had opportunities in overtime to put the Gulls ahead, but neither could find the back of the net and at the end of the second overtime, the teams were still knotted at zero.

"After halftime we came out and put them under some real pressure, but just weren't fortunate enough to put one in the back of the net," said Coach Gerry DiBartolo.

The crowds migrated to the South goal to watch the ensuing shootout. Through the first six shooters, the shootout remained even, tied 3-3. Scotton was able to get a hand on one Blue Jay shot, but it wasn't enough as the ball trickled across the goal line. Eventually exhaustion took over as Salisbury faltered and Hopkins went on to win in penalties, 5-3.

This was Salisbury's third straight NCAA tournament appearance; their ninth overall.



Dan Anderson photo

Kyle Sterling skies for a header on Saturday against Virginia Wesleyan. SU defeated the Marlins 4-1 before losing to Johns Hopkins on PKs 5-3.

Johnson chases NASCAR history

By Fred Hobbs
Staff Writer

Going into Sunday's race, the Sprint Cup Standings were tight as Jimmie Johnson held a small lead. However, there are several drivers right on Johnson's bumper in the standings including Mark Martin, Jeff Gordon, Kurt Busch, Tony Stewart, Greg Biffle and Juan Pablo Montoya.

Each of these drivers had a chance to gain some serious ground in the standings, but it was Johnson who took the checkered flag at the Phoenix International Raceway presented by Goodyear. Johnson won in dominating fashion, leading 238 laps, and building his lead in the standings to 108 points.

This was a rebounding win for Johnson after last week's disappointing 38th place finish. In the Dickies 500 at Texas, Johnson's car was slammed into the wall and wrecked, forcing his team and crew to completely rebuild the Chevrolet in order to salvage a finish.

Johnson and his team, however, came back in typical Jimmie Johnson fashion to win this week, giving Johnson his eighth top ten finish and seventh win of the season.

After the win Johnson said in an interview with ESPN, "It was, 'hey guys, you know, we need to step up and get it done, we need to show what we're made of.' I'm very proud of the fact we looked each other in the eyes, knew what

we had to do, and delivered."

Jeff Burton finished second to Johnson, followed by Denny Hamlin, Martin, Martin Truex, Jr., Busch, Clint Bowyer, Montoya, Gordon, and David Reutimann. Martin is the only driver in mathematical contention to catch Johnson as Gordon, who is 169 points behind, will be eliminated at the start of the next race and Johnson's victory eliminated all other drivers.

The final race of the season will be the Ford 400 at Homestead-Miami Speedway, where Johnson will be looking to wrap up his fourth consecutive championship, a feat never before accomplished.

Martin needs only to finish 25th or better next Sunday to put his name in the record books.

Maryland football, where are you?

By Justin Coleman
Staff Writer

It was ten years ago that the University of Maryland football program hired Ralph Friedgen. The former Maryland player was brought in to bring the football program back to prominence and almost immediately, his impact was felt.

Friedgen's first year brought an ACC Championship, a top ten ranking, and a BCS birth that had Terpin fans everywhere hoping this was

the start of something special.

The next two seasons brought similar success—in 2002, No. 18 Maryland went 11-3 before finishing with a 10-3 record and a No. 17 ranking in 2003—but it was short lived. From 2004 to 2008, the Terps failed to qualify in a bowl game twice, with losing records in both 2004 and 2005.

Maryland returned to the postseason in 2006, posting a 9-4 record and defeating Purdue 24-7 in the Champs Sports Bowl, but in 2007 the Terps lost to Oregon State 21-14 in the

Emerald Bowl. 2008 was one of the most intriguing seasons for the Terps as they defeated four of their five ranked opponents, yet lost to heavy underdogs Middle Tennessee State and rival Virginia. However, Maryland was able to pull it together in the Humanitarian Bowl, defeating Nevada to finish the season 8-5.

With the 2009 season coming to an end, the Terps have failed to qualify once again, have clinched their fourth losing season in the last six years, and are on the verge of their worst season since 1997. What started so promising has since faded to inconsistency.

In order to rebuild the program, Maryland needs to create a foundation as solid as the Testudo statue outside of Byrd Stadium. Recruiting is the cement of that foundation, and also one of Friedgen's biggest weaknesses.

Ultimately it comes down to the players, and Maryland is losing out on big time recruits. The four to five star recruits that Maryland is getting are

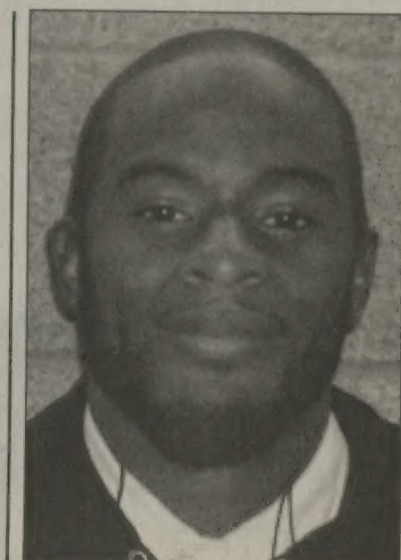
courtesy of Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator James Franklin.

Though Friedgen still has three years left on his contract, Maryland Athletic Director Debbie Yow named Franklin the head coach in waiting this past off-season.

There was once a time when "The Fridge" was king, but times are tough and the future looks bleak. Although Franklin was named the head coach in waiting, it doesn't seem like he will be waiting much longer.

Athlete Spotlight

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Telecia Taylor photo

Brandon Hudson

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer

The Athlete Spotlight this week highlights senior defensive back Brandon Hudson. The Delmar, Md. native attended Sussex Tech before joining the Salisbury University football team.

He has accumulated eight interceptions and 44 tackles and has returned 25 kicks for a total of 458 yards this season.

During the 2009 season, Hudson was named the Defensive Player of the Week and the Defensive Co-Player of the Week by the Atlantic Central Football Conference. Hudson, who has 516 all-purpose yards for Salisbury, recently sat down with The Flyer and answered a few questions.

When did you first start playing football?

"I started at age nine on a local team called the Delmar Wildcats. I was the quarterback on our team."

What do you like best about playing for Salisbury?

"I like the team-oriented atmosphere. The team is more like a family. We all relate well with each other."

What is your favorite football memory?

"It was in 1996 when I played for the Delmar Wildcats. We won the state championship, and I made a tackle that sealed the game."

What are your plans after graduation?

"My plan is to play in the NFL. If that doesn't work, I want to be an Athletic Director at a nearby high school, but I really hope to be able to continue to play football."

What does it feel like to be doing your college football career?

"It's really something that I wasn't looking forward to. The next level isn't guaranteed. It's something that's going to be tough to deal with."

What is something that not many people know about you?

"A lot of people don't know that I have a 21-month-old son. His name is Brandon Jr. People also don't know that I am engaged."

What is it like being both a father and a student?

"It's very tough being a father, but I really enjoy it."

What is your favorite NFL team?

"I'd have to say the Baltimore Ravens are my favorite team."

And your favorite player?

"My favorite player is Ed Reed because I feel like the way I played relates to his style."

Is there anything superstitious that you do before or during games?

"No, I don't really try to get involved in that too much."

What is your proudest football moment?

"It was during the Homecoming game against Union College this year. Our defense stepped up in the 2nd half. Even though they started to come back, we forced Union to do things they didn't want to do."

What advice would you give future Salisbury University football players?

"Stay humble, always be a student before an athlete, and take advantage of every opportunity you are given."

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Swim team drowns cancer

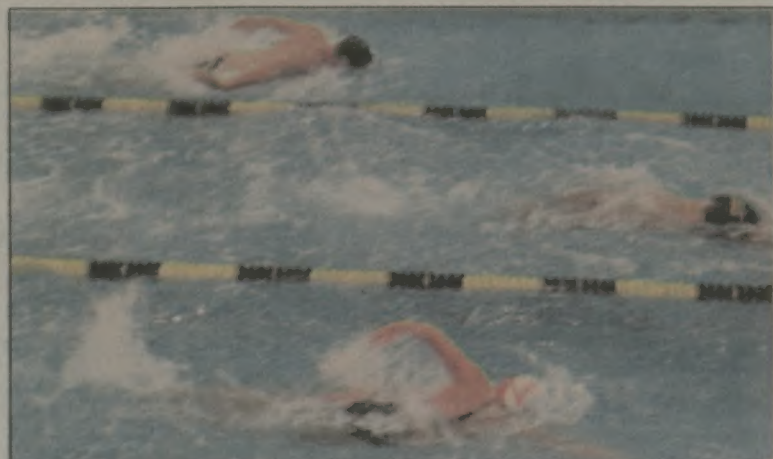
By Brian Joiner
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, Nov. 10, at Maggs pool, the Salisbury swim team participated in an event to fight cancer called the "Hour of Power."

Over 96 collegiate swim teams as well as high school and club teams also took part in the event at locations from the east to west coast of America. The "Hour of Power" is a fundraising-based program where teams get into the pool at the same time and partake in a one-hour practice. Participating swimmers are involved in a series of hour-long relays where they can use stroke of their choice.

"You really try to push yourself when in the water during the event. It is a lot of swimming during that period of time but knowing the cause that it is for and the outcome really makes it worth it," senior Sean Snee said.

Funds raised by the swim programs for the "Hour of Power" go to the Ted Mullin Fund for Pediatric Sarcoma Research at the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital. Sarcoma is a cancer that deals with the connective tissue located in



Jules Waxman photo

The swim team works out for an hour of practice on Tuesday as part of the "Hour of Power" to raise money for the fight against cancer.

one's body. It is a rare cancer form that is found in about 15,000 cancer cases per year, a number that is on the rise. In just three years, the "Hour of Power" fundraiser has raised more than \$112,000 by its swimming contributors. Because of the money raised, the University of Chicago was able to recruit Stephen X. Skapek, M.D., one of the leading doctors in the treatment of sarcoma cancer.

During the 2008 season, the Salisbury swim team raised an outstanding \$832 for the cause. This season, the team hopes to raise even more. Money for the event is raised by the swim programs themselves through donations by team members, coaches, families, professors and community members.

"It's really great seeing members of the team care for such a great cause," Assistant Coach Jason Mohring said. "When I swam in college at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, our program unfortu-

nately never participated in this event. I'm glad now I can be a part of such a worthy affair."

Aside from SU, Mary Washington is the only other team located in the Capital Atlantic Conference that is involved in the fundraiser.

Not only does the "Hour of Power" raise money for Pediatric Sarcoma research, but it also helps to spread awareness of this life-threatening disease while promoting team spirit.

"It's really great seeing everyone on the team come together during that hour," said Snee. "Taking turns doing laps in the pool really helps build a strong sense of teamwork through our individual efforts swimming."

Swimmers cheered and rallied around one another as they attempt to complete the hour-long relay. Once completed, not only did the swimmers improve their skills but improved the nation's chances in defeating sarcoma cancer.

Football captures sixth consecutive Regents Cup

By Therran Dennis
Staff Writer

Though Saturday night belonged to the seniors as they played in their last Regents Cup at home, it was sophomore super back Randal Smedley that led the Sea Gulls (5-5, 2-1 ACFC) to a 34-19 victory over rival Frostburg (1-9, 1-2), and was named the team's MVP.

Smedley had a career night on the ground, rushing for 121 yards on 17 attempts with two touchdowns. His last touchdown, a 51-yard run at the top of the third quarter, gave the maroon and gold a 20-12 lead, and some breathing room coming out of a close first half against the Bobcats.

"We needed this win," said Smedley. "[This game] meant a lot to the seniors. This was their last game before they hang up their cleats, so we wanted to send them off with a positive note."

Throughout the game, Smedley took advantage of the Sea Gulls' offensive line that dominated the Bobcat's defensive front. This gave the Sea Gull backfield ample opportunity to run over a Bobcat defense

that struggled to defend the run—they allowed the Sea Gulls a total of 382 yards on the ground.

"I was trying to be unselfish, and do what I know I'm capable of doing in following the blocks," said Smedley. "The offensive line opened up holes for me, and I just capitalized on my opportunities."

The Sea Gulls scored all of their touchdowns on the ground. Smedley had two, junior quarterback Sean Kelly had one, and senior super back William Midgette rushed for the maroon and gold's last two touchdowns this season. The Sea Gull defense held the Bobcats to a total of 224 yards.

"It's great to go out on top," said senior defensive captain Paul Cynewski. "It's great to go out with a solid win; it was good that some of the young guys stepped up. Hopefully they've learned some things from us."

Head Coach Sherman Wood wanted the win for the seniors.

"I'm really happy for the seniors," said Coach Wood. "I had a long talk with the seniors before the game. These guys have done a great job for us."



Athletics photo

Randal Smedley rushed for a career-high 121 yards on 17 carries with two touchdowns in Salisbury's Regents Cup victory over FSU.

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Volleyball

The women's volleyball team saw the program's deepest NCAA tournament run come to an end on Saturday as the Sea Gulls fell to Christopher Newport 3-2.

Salisbury (32-5) jumped out to an early 2-0 lead, but the Captains (36-6) were able to climb back into the match, taking the third game 25-22 and the remaining two, 25-13, 15-6, to advance to the national quarterfinals.

Four different Sea Gulls recorded double-digit digs in the contest, led by junior outside hitter Lexy Fitzkee with a career-high 26 digs. Senior libero Gabby Long had 24, junior outside hitter Melissa Stansbury had 17 and senior outside hitter Rachel Downes finished with 11 digs and 9 kills.

Salisbury swept CCNY in the first round of regional play on Nov. 12, 3-0. The Gulls then defeated New Paltz State 3-2 on Nov. 13. All three games were held at New York University.

Cross Country

The men's cross country team finished 11th for the second straight year at the NCAA Division III Mid-east Regional on Saturday morning while the women took 20th overall.

Junior Kristin Stromberg was the top-finisher on the women's side, finishing the six-kilometer race in 24:06, 79th overall. Junior Jennifer Musmeci finished five seconds behind Stromberg in 24:11 to take 86th place. She was followed by sophomore Becca Stinner (104th place),

sophomore Emily Powell (127th), and junior Masha Berge (159th).

Senior Travis Boccher led the men, finishing the eight-kilometer race in 26:29, his best time of the year, earning him 48th place overall. Freshman Stephen Berstler, the CAC Rookie of the Year, came in ten seconds later to take 58th place in 26:39. Junior Chris Barnard, a three-time All-CAC runner, followed in 66th place (26:44) and sophomores Trent Seawell (27:16) and Dave Toller (27:27) finished next in 93rd and 107th place, respectively.

The race was hosted by Muhlenberg College in Pennsylvania.

Swimming

Salisbury's men's and women's swim teams each fell to rival Washington College Wednesday night. The men were defeated 123-83 and the women lost 123-77.

Junior Joe Wisda battled Shoreman Chris Soper in the 100-yard freestyle, finishing just milliseconds behind in 50.72 to Soper's 50.36. Junior Brian Allen finished second in the 1,000-yard freestyle event (11:01.60) and Tim Metcalf finished second in the 200-yard freestyle (1:56.07).

The women, however, were able to pick up two first-place finishes.

The 400-yard freestyle relay team of senior Maureen Gillespie, junior Katy Turner, sophomore Jenna Petrella, and freshman Christine Cooke won the event in 3:58.73. Petrella also finished second in the 50-yard freestyle (26.64). Freshman Meghan Donovan took the other first-place finish in the 100-yard breast stroke event in 1:15.24, barely defeating teammate Kelly Closs (1:15.88).



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